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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, [REDACTED]

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FROM: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Chief, Geography Division, G-2

RE: Caves in the USSR Suitable for Use as Submarine Bases

1. A search has been made in response to your inquiry about the location of Soviet caves that would be suitable for use as submarine bases.

2. Examination of the extensive information available on Soviet caves reveals no data on suitable natural caves at sea-level along the coastline. There are, however, many segments of the coastline of the USSR along which construction of artificial caves would be feasible. A brief investigation indicates that these segments are as follows: the north coast of the Kara Peninsula; the north coast of the north island and west coast of the north island of Novaya Zemlya; the Khatinskii, Kamenskii, and Shymanskii Peninsulas on the west coast of Kamchatka and the coast immediately north of Yuzhno-Vostok-Kamchatka; and the coast of the mainland northward of Vladivostok to approximately 44°N. Caves blocked by ice north of the war were not considered in the investigation.

3. Attached per your request is a reproduction of a Soviet map showing these caves.

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4. [REDACTED] of this branch, attention [REDACTED], is available for any further discussion that may be required on this subject.

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